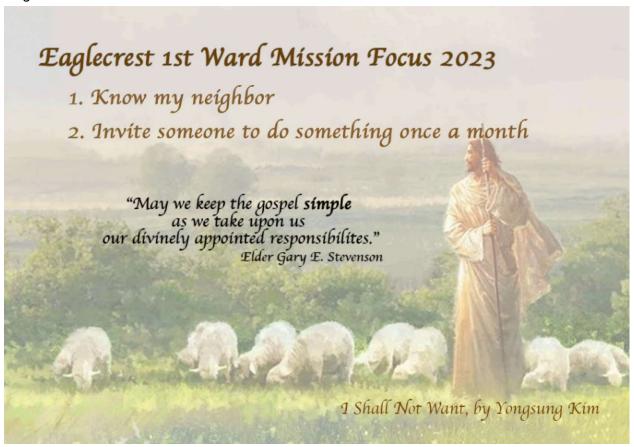
## Eagle Crest 1st Ward 2024 Mission Plan Ward Members Message

We believe that a unified message of "simplicity" surrounding Missionary work is needed. We **ARE** doing missionary work now and want to reinforce that as we know our neighbor and invite to be with us (in our home, activities, games, fun, church meetings), we are ultimately participating with and helping the Lord.

Quote: "May we keep the gospel simple as we take upon us our divinely appointed responsibilities" Elder Gary E. Stevenson

### Magnet:



## Magnets to be distributed throughout the ward:

- Available in Sacrament Meeting entries
- Elders Quorum & Relief society Presidency Visits
  - Ward Missionary Visits

October: Ward Missionary Month - TBD with Ward and Youth Council

- Focus of missionary work throughout month of October
  - Activities around Proselytizing/Service Missions (ex. World Food Night, etc)

# Ward Missionary Teaching & Ideas for EQ/RS/Mission Convert Baptismal Goal: 3

**Intent:** Shift our perception of missionary work to something YOU CAN and ARE doing—by being genuine friends.

**Goal:** Every ward member will expand and strengthen his or her "circle of belonging" by being authentic friends with our neighbors.

**How:** By being natural, genuine, observant, and kind.

**Why:** Because we love the Lord and our neighbors. And because we are a ward family of covenant keepers.

#### Some ideas include:

- **No one sits alone.** Whether at church, activities, or community events, we will always look to sit with someone who is sitting alone or who is new.
- Notice when someone isn't there and reach out to tell them you missed them.
- **Get to know** someone new or someone better each month. Do something for, or with, a neighbor each month—take a treat, invite them over, do service for/with them, etc.
- Help organize and **take part in** our Community Clean-up (May), Summer BBQ (June), and Christmas Brunch (December) with our neighbors and bring someone with you.
- Have a member go WITH the missionaries to teach lessons as often as possible—or
  have the lesson in our own homes. We will do this because we know that when
  someone learning about the church has an encouraging friend they are more likely to
  progress towards making and keeping covenants with the Savior.
- Get to know, love, work with, and pray for the full-time missionaries assigned to our ward.
- **Pray** for our own missionary opportunities. The Lord will answer the prayers of those who sincerely want to help His children come to Him.

**Outcome:** We will get to know and become friends with many more of our neighbors. This will bring natural opportunities to *love* them, *share* our own beliefs and testimonies, and *invite* those who are interested. If they aren't interested yet, we will still be establishing lasting friendships and fostering a stronger and more supportive community.